CHAPTER IV—ADMINISTRATION OF LAND.

(i) Occupied Area and Tenure.

486. The total recorded area of the State was 1,88,68,554 (1,88,50,107) acres. Deducting alienated lands to the extent of 14,94,276 (14,82,518) acres and 81,67,180 (81,68,838) acres consisting of minor inams, Forests, uncultivable waste, which were not available for cultivation, there was a net extent of 92,07,098 (91,98,751) acres available for cultivation.

487. The net area cropped during the year was 67,35,909 (68,54,835) acres.

488. The number of ryotwari holdings separately registered in the State was 12,42,899 (13,44,209) with an area of 85,03,601 (85,53,689) acres.

(ii) Land Records, Survey and Settlement.

489. In Government villages, 8,214 (8,568) darkhast and other miscellaneous records were disposed of and measurements were made in 16,653 (18,369) survey numbers involving an extent of 65,424 (70,688) acres. Classification was undertaken in respect of 8,851 (7,469) survey numbers comprising an area of 37,109 (28,587) acres. Bandh Pahani of 7,804 (6,974) survey numbers was done in 2,397 (4,013) villages. One hundred and forty-six (98) cases of encroachment comprising an extent of 75 acres and 35 guntas were detected. Forty-five thousand nine hundred and ninteen (40,991) mutation hissas were measured.

490. Some special items of work attended to by the Department during the year were :—

1. Measurement of irrigable lands in Goravanhalli and Hanumanalu of Bannur Hobli, T.-Narsipur Taluk.
2. Marking the Police Stations in the State Map of Mysore.
3. Preparation of Key State Map indicating the several Electoral Constituencies to the State Legislative Assembly and the House of People.
4. Preparation of map of Kolar District marking therein the areas affected by adverse seasonal conditions.

5. Preparation of Key Maps indicating the territory and Polling Stations for each Legislative Assembly Constituency in connection with the General Elections.

6. Measurement of 438 blocks covering an extent of 2,104 acres of Military lands in 9 villages of Bangalore North Taluk.

7. Test Inspection of Boundary Marks by the Survey Officers in the enclave villages transferred to Mysore State, and

8. Joint Inspection of Boundary Marks between Madras and Mysore States on the top of Mallappakonda (Bangarpet Taluk) was conducted by the Sub-Division Officer and the District Survey Officer, Kolar.

491. The Record of Rights staff attended to the preparation of Record of Rights and Index of lands registers in respect of 4 inam villages. The number of entries made in the two registers was 8,074 (3,160) and 8,068 (5,482) respectively.

492. The decennial revision of potgi was done in respect of 428 (578) villages and the potgi was refixed in the case of 963 (307) villages.

493. Biennial revision of potgi in respect of 2 villages and pakka potgi in respect of 4 inam villages were completed during the year.

494. Maps of 139 (397) villages were prepared for print and replenishing the stock. In addition, 89 (57) hand-drawn copies of maps of unsettled inam villages were prepared and supplied to private parties on payment. The total survey numbers comprising in the above mapping work was 17,568 (36,715).

495. Up-to-date changes and corrections in respect of 91,645 (16,851) survey numbers were incorporated in 13,123 (366) copies of maps of 1,412 (101) villages of 11 (40) taluks.

496. Among the schemes that were under consideration were, City or town area surveys, Revision of Survey Manual embodying the latest rules and circulars, conduct of inam villages, survey on an intensive scale, revision of quit-rent registers and second revision settlement in respect of several taluks of the State for which resettlement is overdue.

497. The total expenditure of the Department amounted to Rs. 5,71,261 (Rs. 5,20,067).